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From: Katy Rubin [katyrw@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 9:02 AM
To: Friis, John
Subject: HB6666, Section 5

I am writing to strongly advocate for Section 5 of House Bill HB6666, which will allow for adjunct faculty certificates to be issued to the highly-trained professional artists, who serve as ECA's part-time faculty, to continue their 35-year record of preparing Connecticut's high school students for our competitive global economy. If they are required to become certified for 12-hour per week part-time positions, they will not be able to do so and the school will close. This will be a terrible loss to Connecticut's high school students in 19 school districts.

I attended ECA for four years in the Theatre Department. ECA helped me through high school and without its teachers, I would not have won a full scholarship to Acting school at Boston University. Now I have my BFA, Summa Cum Laude (07), and I am a professional actor in New York, in debt only to my wonderful experience at ECA. I am now also a teaching artist in NYC Public Schools, trying to give back after I received such a wonderful education in the arts.

Please keep ECA open and thriving. Without it, so many students will be deprived of the opportunities I had.

Thank you.

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